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Sir:

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Some of the attached documents were cited in search reports in corresponding International applications. Copies of the search reports are enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is directed to co-pending U.S. Patent Applications No. 09/698,072, filed October 30, 2000, and No. 09/698,073, filed October 30, 2000, which are directed to related technical subject matter. The identification of these U.S. Patent Applications is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to these applications now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited applications and the art cited therein during examination of the above-identified application.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449.

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